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ORIENTATION FOR EMPLOYEES

The Office of General Services has begun to sponsor monthly orientation meetings for new Gallaudet employees. The first meetings took place Tuesday and Wednesday of this week.

In addition to an overview of the history of Gallaudet College, the orientation program serves to acquaint new members of the College community to campus policies and procedures, wage and salary structure, training and career development opportunities and employee benefits.

Any employee, who has been at Gallaudet but has not participated in an orientation session, is invited to attend a future meeting. Each meeting is approximately one and a half hours in length.

Please contact Bonnie Mueller at ext. 581 to register.

INTERPRETER TRAINING TO BEGIN

Under the auspices of the National Interpreter Training Consortium, Gallaudet will be offering a beginning interpreter training institute for the first time this fall.

The ten-week full-time program will take students from a basic level of proficiency through competency as an expressive interpreter. Required to live on campus, students will benefit from the total immersion approach. Dr. Lottie Riekehof is directing the institute.

The Office of Sign Language Programs will once again offer evening sign language courses ranging from beginners through reverse

interpreting to the College community as well as the general public.

For a complete listing of courses and registration procedures, please contact the Office of Sign Language Programs.

TELEPHONE ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE

Deaf people in the Washington area can now get assistance in making phone calls to doctors, airlines, taxis or any number of people or places of business which can not currently be reached by TTY.

Dedicated last week, this new service is being operated by Telephone Pioneers, an organization of active and retired Bell System employees, and will be manned by Pioneer volunteers on weekdays from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. To use this service just call 347-9172 via TTY. A volunteer will take your message and make your call over a conventional phone to the party you wish to contact.

Since August 1, hearing impaired people in the area have also been able to get Metrobus information via TTY.

So far, Metrobus claims they have had an average of eight calls a day from deaf people wanting information regarding bus routes and schedules. The Metrobus TTY information number is 638-3780.

CLERGY AMONG THE DEAF MEET

Immediately following the Congress of the World Federation of the Deaf, the 2nd International Training Center on Christian Ministry

Among the Deaf convened at Trinity College.

Attending the ten-day seminar were 162 delegates representing 24 countries. The Training Center was organized by an ecumenical group of religious workers among the deaf from the United States and Europe.

A group of approximately 25 of the participants visited Gallaudet College one afternoon last week.

TO TICKLE YOUR FANCY

For an evening of unabashed humor and good hard laughs, be sure not to miss Mary Beth Miller. Mary Beth, who has given comedy a new dimension, will be appearing for the first time locally since leaving the National Theatre of the Deaf.

The performance will be on September 6, at 8 p.m., in the Gallaudet Auditorium and is sponsored by the '76 American Athletic Association of the Deaf.

Proceeds from the sale of tickets will benefit the 32nd Annual National Basketball Tournament of Champions. Tickets are \$3 per person and include a raffle. Reservations can be made by calling any of the following numbers: 560-2919; 474-7529; 559-5621 and 345-8612.

AROUND AND ABOUT

--The Center for Law and the Deaf will begin operation on campus September 1. Since necessary equipment and furniture can not be delivered by that date, the Center would appreciate borrowing these items. If you have basic office equipment or furniture currently not in use which you are willing to lend, please contact Public Service Programs at ext. 475.
--Many of you have probably seen Tim Medina present the news in total communication weekdays at 12:25 p.m. over WTTG-TV, Channel 5. Since the program is presently going through a trial period, positive

audience reaction is urgently needed to guarantee the continuation of these broadcasts. Please send your letters to: Mr. Stan Berk, News Director, WTTG-TV, 5151 Wisconsin Avenue, Washington, D.C. 20015.

--Due to construction of the Presentation Center in the main Chapel area of Chapel Hall, some staff of the Alumni and Public Relations Office have been moved. Donna Chitwood, Wallace Edington and David Peikoff of the APR staff and Debbie Shaine, coordinator of the Cultural Affairs Committee, have been relocated in the former Jr. NAD headquarters in the basement of College Hall. Judy Bortner and Sharryn Crowder are now located on the stage area of Chapel Hall.

SECOND RESEARCH SYMPOSIUM PLANNED

October 30 and 31, have been selected as the dates for the next Gallaudet symposium on research. This, the second of a projected series of three symposia, will be directed to the topic, "Language and Communications Research Problems."

All those interested in making a presentation or attending are requested to contact Joan Allerton at extension 547 as soon as possible. Proceedings of the first symposium will be disseminated in September.

AMONG OURSELVES

--Peter Fine has recently been making excellent progress and would welcome short visits from Gallaudet College people and particularly from those persons who are willing to assist him in speech and sign language therapy. Please give Mary Fine a call at 439-6964 before going to visit.
--Best wishes to Sterling Gilliam who recently retired after being supervisory postal clerk for 8 years.

ON THE GREEN resumes its weekly schedule with the next issue, September 3.

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